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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD  
COMMITTEE ON DOCUMENTATION

TASK TEAM II - ITEM IDENTIFICATION

Minutes of the Fourteenth Meeting, 15 April 1965

Members or Their Representatives Present

25X1 CIA - [ ] Chairman  
DIA - [ ]  
25X1 NSA - [ ]  
STATE - Mr. Robert Whipp  
ARMY - Mr. Robert Baxter  
25X1 CSS - [ ] Secretary

Others Present

None

25X1 1. [ ] opened the meeting with a discussion of the status of the team effort and the nature of a final report on planning an item identification system. He noted that we had finalized elements necessary and desirable to identify items uniquely and to describe them adequately for a broad spectrum of purposes. He noted that considerable time and effort had gone into devising a category scheme within which intelligence items could be placed.

25X1 2. A paper was then distributed by Mr. Baxter which concluded that no clear-cut need for a categorization scheme had been established and that the team therefore should abandon further effort to develop such a scheme. [ ] distributed a paper entitled "Proposed Category of Intelligence Items." Discussion of the requirement for a categorization scheme ensued. It was the consensus that the purposes specified in paragraph 3 of T/II/M-13 were sufficient to justify further effort at attempting to categorize intelligence items.

25X1 3. [ ] categorization scheme was then considered along  
25X1 with proposed schemes by [ ] and by Mr. Fritz who was represented by Mr. Whipp. It was decided that an attempt should be made to analyze

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these schemes and insofar as possible determine and specify areas of agreement and disagreement. [ ] noted that while [ ] scheme included description of items to be included within each category; the other schemes did not do so. In some cases, understanding the proposed categories required such statements or lists of actual items which the originator felt should fall within his proposed categories. [ ] and Mr. Fritz were asked to provide such back-up material for their schemes to [ ]. With this information in hand, [ ] would undertake the aforementioned analysis and come up with a new proposal. The team also discussed attempting development of a new scheme at a meeting to be held on Tuesday, 20 April. Subsequent events precluded such a meeting and [ ] suggested that [ ] be provided with necessary information by phone. As soon as this information has been provided and the tentative scheme developed, a meeting of the team will be scheduled.

Secretary

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